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Presented for filing is a new continuation patent application of:

Applicant: KEITH KRETZ
Title: NOVEL PHYTASE

The prior application is assigned of record to Diversa Corporation, a California corporation, by virtue of an assignment submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office recorded on November 10, 1997, at 8880/0554.

Enclosed are the following papers, including all those required to receive a filing date under 37 CFR §1.53(b):

	<u>Pages</u>
Specification	33
Claims	1
Abstract	1
Declaration	[To Be Filed At A Later Date]
Drawing(s)	3

Enclosures:

- Form PTO-1449 listing documents cited in the parent application(s). Please confirm that these have been considered in this application by returning a copy of the Form PTO-1449 with the examiner's initials.
- New disclosure information, including:

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Information disclosure statement, 1 pages.

PTO-1449, 1 pages.

References, 2 items.

- Nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence listing including:

Computer readable copy.

Paper copy, 6 pages.

Verification statement, 2 pages.

- Postcard.

- Preliminary Amendment

This application is a continuation (and claims the benefit of priority under 35 USC §120) of U.S. application serial no. 09/259,214, filed March 1, 1999, which is a Divisional of patent application Serial No. 08/910,798, filed August 13, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 5,876,997, issued March 2, 1999. The disclosure of the prior application is considered part of (and is incorporated by reference in) the disclosure of this application.

a Preliminarily, on page 1 of the specification, before line 1, insert -- This is a continuation of U.S. application serial no. 09/259,214, filed 3/1/99, which is a Divisional of patent application Serial No. 08/910,798, filed August 13, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 5,876,997, issued March 2, 1999.

This application is entitled to small entity status. Small entity status established in a previous application is still proper.

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